AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said communication protocol is a file transfer protocol.
- 3. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said communication protocol is a hyper text transfer protocol.
- 4. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein there is provided further comprising job ID issuing means that issues a job ID to said electronic equipment according to said control instruction.
- 5 (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein there is provided further comprising operation status informing means that informs the client of each operation status of said electronic equipment according to said control instruction.
- 6. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein there is provided further comprising user ID checking means that checks the individual user ID given to each user at the client.
- 7. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data accumulation means to accumulate image data.

- 8. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data inputting means that optically reads original images and generates image data.
- 9. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data processing means that processes image data.
- 10. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image outputting means that outputs image data to recording media.
- 11. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim [[1]] 14 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with image data management means that manages image data by giving an image ID to said image data.
- 12. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim 11 wherein said electronic equipment is provided with said image data management means that manages image data according to said image ID and individual user ID given to each user at the client.
- 13. (Currently amended) The network system as defined in claim 11 wherein said image data management means is a relational data base system.

14. (New) A network system connectable to a remote client and electronic equipment, said system comprising:

command interpretation means for interpreting a file transfer protocol command received via communication protocol from said client as a command for file transfer protocol operation and for recognizing a specific character string in a file name field of the file transfer protocol command as an instruction command for a specific operation; and

control signal generating means, responsive to recognition by said command interpretation means of the specific character string in the file name field of said file transfer protocol command for generating a control instruction for a specific operation of said electronic equipment.